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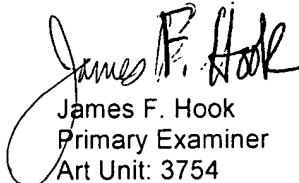
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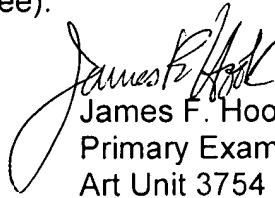
The reply filed on September 30, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): every rejection must be identified, and there is no mention of the rejection to claim 2 in the arguments, therefore every ground of rejection is not identified and argued. It is also noted that there appears to be no arguments directed toward the claim language of independent claim 15 which does not contain the only claim limitation argued as not being covered by the combination of Ashcraft and Martucci. It is also noted that upon filing a response to this non-responsive notice, that claim 21 lacks antecedent basis for the term "the braid layer" when there is no braid layer set forth in claim 15 from which claim 21 now depends. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James F. Hook whose telephone number is (571) 272-4903. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Wednesday, work at home Thursdays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Mar can be reached on (571) 272-4906. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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